

## ***TOURS DESCRIPTION***

### ***Mission Trail***

The Mission trail follows Socorro Road for nine miles from the Ysleta Mission, through Socorro to San Elizario. Along the trail are two of the oldest missions in the United States: Ysleta Mission (Corpus Christi de los Tiguas de Ysleta) and Socorro Mission (Nuestra Señora de la Purisma Concepción de los Piro) both founded in 1682. San Elizario Presidio Chapel (La Capilla de San Elceario) was founded in 1789 to serve the Spanish soldiers and their families.

You can find more information at: <http://missiontrail.elp.rr.com/>



**Mission Ysleta**



**Mission Socorro**



**Chapel San Elceario in San Elizario**

## ***Rio Bosque Wetlands Park***

At the eastern edge of the El Paso, Texas City limits are the Rio Bosque Wetlands. The Wetlands is owned by the City of El Paso. Under a current agreement with the University of Texas at El Paso, the site is being restored and enhanced with trails and restored habitats, riverside forests, and native ecosystems historically found in the river valley.

You can find more information at: <http://www.cerm.utep.edu/riobosque/>



Wetlands and riverside forests once graced the banks of the Rio Grande in the Paso del Norte region



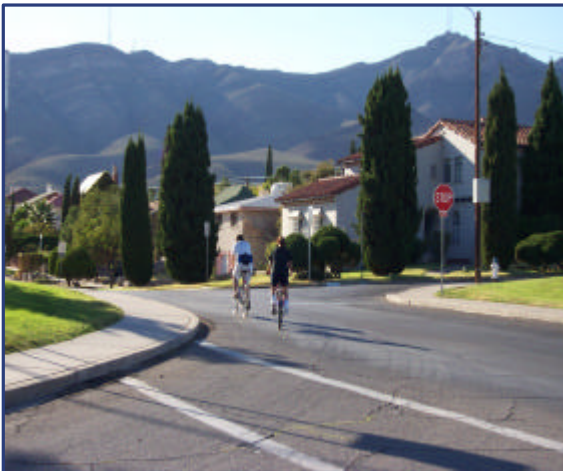
### ***River Park Trail/Keystone Project***

The Rio Grande Trail System will provide a contiguous Riverpark in the El Paso del Norte Region that offers recreational opportunities and access to historical, cultural, and natural resources. The first phase is located in the Upper Valley along the west levee of the Rio Grande. The second phase will extend the project to the New Mexico border. Keystone Heritage Park, a short distance away, contains a rare desert wetland and a significant archaeological site. The site is owned by the City of El Paso, but is being developed through a non-profit citizen effort.

You can find more information at: <http://www.keystonepark.com/> “Keystone Heritage Project”[http://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/rtca/whatwedo/projects/project\\_descriptions/riogrande2.pdf](http://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/rtca/whatwedo/projects/project_descriptions/riogrande2.pdf) “River park trial”



**Franklin Mountains State Park Trail System**



**Regional Bikeways Plan**



**Franklin Mountains State Park walking System**



**Mountain Cristo Rey**



**Valley Creek Westside Community Park**



**Keystone wetland**



## ***El Paso Texas where the History of the United States Border Patrol Began***

The United States Border Patrol is the law enforcement arm of the immigration and naturalization service. The mission of the Border Patrol is the detection and prevention of illegal entry of aliens and contraband. On May 28, 1924 congress passed legislation creating what is known as the United States Border Patrol. From 450 "Border Inspectors" in 1924 to currently over 8000 highly trained Agents, The U.S Border Patrol is the largest uniformed federal law-enforcement agency in America.

The agencies first formal training academy was established in 1934 in El Paso Texas. The El Paso Sector now covers West Texas and New Mexico with modern technology and update equipment.

The Border Patrol will accommodate groups of no more than 20 per each group. The names of persons participating in this tour will be forwarded prior to us by fax or E-mail. The tour will include an area briefing and then border tour by van. Cameras are allowed.

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